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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of Nicholas Jason Welton, et al.
Serial No. (To be assigned)
Filed June 21, 2001
For CAPSTOCK POLYMER COMPOSITION

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT A PRIOR TO EXAMINATION

TO THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS,
Washington, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Please enter the following amendments prior to examination
of the above-referenced application.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please replace claim 1 as follows:

1. (amended). A polymer composition suitable for use as a capstock composition comprising a blend of:
- a melt extrudable acrylic polymer component which comprises more than 50% by weight, based on the weight of the acrylic polymer component, of a high molecular weight acrylic polymer having a molecular weight in the range of from about 150,000 to about 350,000, on a number average basis, and up to 50% by weight, based on the weight of the acrylic polymer component, of a low molecular weight acrylic polymer having a molecular weight of from about 10,000 to about 100,000, on a number average basis;